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1. Plans are in course to turn Albania into a maritime country. This can only be achieved with difficulty, since there is no maritime tradition and the human material is lacking. East Germany is supplying engineers for port construction, and instructors in seamanship. Czechoslovakia and Hungary are providing material assistance on the understanding that they will eventually benefit from the increased port facilities.
2. A Nautical Institute has been opened in Durres. The course for those who have passed secondary school lasts 18 months.
3. Apart from the construction of a new port at Himare, a port is under construction at Karavasta.

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